SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 64

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Jared Lee Henry of Coalfield.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Jared Lee Henry of Coalfield, a gifted football coach, devoted family man, treasured friend, and humble Christian; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Henry was a member of Barton Chapel Congregational Church in Robbins but attended Mt. Carmel Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Coalfield; and

WHEREAS, a native of Scott County, Jared Henry graduated from Oneida High School in 1991 and from Tennessee Technological University in 1995; and

WHEREAS, he began his teaching career at Oneida Middle School in 1995 and also served as head football coach there; and

WHEREAS, after he coached at Oneida High School for five years, Coach Henry changed his journey's course in 2005, when he joined the faculty at Petros Joyner Elementary School and the coaching staff at Coalfield High School; and

WHEREAS, a teacher at Coalfield High School since 2013, Jared Henry also served with distinction as the defensive coordinator for the school's football team under the leadership of his brother, head coach Keith Henry, who preceded him in death; and

WHEREAS, football was not only Jared Henry's calling but also his passion; his singular ability to develop All-State linebackers and impenetrable defensive schemes will live on through the players he coached and the coaches he influenced; and

WHEREAS, Coach Henry believed strongly in faith, family, friends, football, and fishing; his wife and children were loved beyond measure and were truly the light of his life; and

WHEREAS, while working as a teacher at Oneida Middle School, Jared Henry met his future wife, Christina Reynolds Henry, whom he married in 1997 and with whom he had two

children, daughter Leeah Marie Henry and son Austin Jared "AJ" Henry, a sophomore linebacker at Coalfield who was coached by his father for two seasons; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his immediate family, Coach Henry is survived by his sister-in-law, Pamela Henry; niece, Chastin Henry; nephew, Coalton Henry; mother-in-law, Norma Reynolds; sister-in-law, Teresa (Frank) Robinson; niece, Elizabeth (Jared) Smith; special family members, Shawn Basler, Matt Murphy, Jason Wilson, James Bales, Shelley Burgess, Gray Dad, Howard Stinnett, Tim Hines, David Treece, Greg Addington, Brian Langley, Kelly Norman, Larry Pemberton, Jerry Lay, Ray Porter, Jason Manis, Todd West, and Vince Owens; very special aunts, Syble (Ervin) Stringfield, Velma (Dickie) Purser, and Eunice Henry; uncles, Ralph (Peggy) Pemberton, Ledford Henry, and Winford (Betty) Henry; and many special cousins and friends; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his brother, he was preceded in death by his beloved parents,

Dolphus and Brenda Pemberton Henry, and father-in-law, Paul Reynolds; and

WHEREAS, Jared Lee Henry leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember this brilliant football coach, exceptional educator, and even finer human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Jared Lee Henry, reflecting fondly upon his indelible legacy on the gridiron and in his community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the Henry family.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to

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the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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